

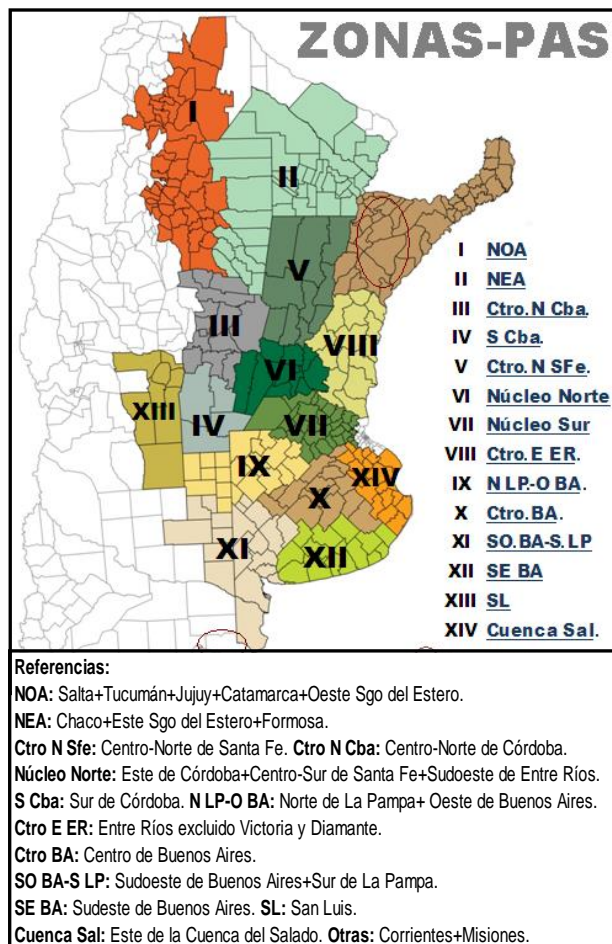


# Weekly Ag Report

BUENOS AIRES GRAIN EXCHANGE

**WEEK ENDED ON OCT. 20, 2016**

**CROP REPORT - HIGHLIGHTS**  
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## OUTLOOK SUMMARY WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK

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**AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: OCTOBER 20 TO 26, 2016: LINGERING PRECIPITATIONS OF VARIED INTENSITY AND TEMPERATURES BELOW NORMAL FOR THIS TIME OF YEAR.**

During most part of the perspective, lingering precipitations of varied activity will expand across the Ag. region. Coupled with the front, winds will rotate towards the South, dropping temperatures below normal for this time of year. However, the entry of air from the Atlantic ocean will hinder the development of intense frosts. Towards the middle of the perspective, northerly winds will return raising temperatures in the north of the agricultural area. The south, however, will observe cool winds and moderate values.

## CORN

Over the last week, rainfalls continued delaying the planting of early crops in the center and south of the national agricultural area. Hail was reported in several regions, affecting mainly the most developed crops located in Corrientes and north-central Santa Fe. Most of the planting progress took place in north-central Córdoba and the north and south belts.

Besides, the crops already emerged have continued differentiating leaves under excellent moisture conditions. To date, corn is 34.7% planted. The final planted area for the cereal is projected at **4,9 M hectares**, up 27% from last season. (Area 2015/16: 3,850,000 H.). Weekly and YoY progress stand at 2,9 and 3 %, respectively.

CORN PLANTING				As of: Oct. 20, 2016	
2016/17 Season		Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage planted (%)	Hectares planted
Zonas		2015/16	2016/17		
I	NOA	260.000	320.000	0,0	-
II	NEA	440.000	535.000	0,0	-
III	Ctro N Cba	580.000	754.000	13,8	104.052
IV	S Cba	500.000	652.000	27,9	181.908
V	Ctro N SFe	160.000	198.000	30,0	59.400
VI	Núcleo Norte	380.000	487.000	84,2	409.811
VII	Núcleo Sur	290.000	376.000	80,8	303.620
VIII	Ctro E ER	126.000	158.000	65,0	102.700
IX	N LP-OBA	410.000	500.000	57,0	285.000
X	Ctro BA	210.000	250.000	42,5	106.250
XI	SO BA-S LP	115.000	160.000	13,0	20.800
XII	SE BA	120.000	190.000	20,0	38.000
XIII	SL	160.000	200.000	18,4	36.800
XIV	Cuenca Sal	75.000	90.000	42,0	37.800
XV	Otras	24.000	30.000	40,0	12.000
TOTAL		3.850.000	4.900.000	34,7	1.698.141

## SUNFLOWER

Planting continues expanding across the country under ideal moisture conditions. Even though last week's rainfalls partially hindered fieldwork on account of lack of seedbed, weekly and YoY progress are estimated at 4 and 6.3 percentual points, respectively. To date, sunflower is 42.4 % planted (720.000 H). The final planted area for the crop is projected at **1.7 M hectares**. If this figure is achieved, there will be a YoY rise of 39% (Area 2015/16: 1.22 MH).

SUNFLOWER PLANTING				As of: Oct. 20, 2016	
2016/17 Season		Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage planted (%)	Hectares planted
Zone		2015/16	2016/17		
I	NOA	-	-	-	-
II	NEA	180.000	325.000	100,0	325.000
III	Ctro N Cba	3.000	4.000	100,0	4.000
IV	S Cba	18.000	21.000	35,0	7.350
V	Ctro N SFe	140.000	230.000	100,0	230.000
VI	Núcleo Norte	7.000	10.000	90,0	9.000
VII	Núcleo Sur	5.000	8.000	20,0	1.600
VIII	Ctro E ER	4.000	6.000	80,0	4.800
IX	N LP-OBA	90.000	130.000	10,0	13.000
X	Ctro BA	46.000	65.000	18,0	11.700
XI	SO BA-S LP	330.000	410.000	8,0	32.800
XII	SE BA	300.000	360.000	10,0	36.000
XIII	SL	20.000	24.000	35,0	8.400
XIV	Cuenca Sal	72.000	100.000	30,0	30.000
XV	Otras	5.000	7.000	100,0	7.000
TOTAL		1.220.000	1.700.000	42,4	720.650

## WHEAT

Over the last week, new precipitations continued replenishing soil moisture across the national agricultural area. Of the **4.3 M planted hectares**, 50% of the surface is in ideal moisture condition, 42% is in adequate condition and only 3% observes a fair condition. Water excess, which only affects 5% of the wheat area, was reported in north-central Santa Fe and Córdoba, east-central Entre Ríos, northern La Pampa and western Buenos Aires. On the other hand, wheat harvest expands slowly into NOA and NEA, mainly Salta and Chaco, where sowing progress is still under 1%.

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